# Behavioral Research at the Air Resources Board

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## Why Study Behavioral Use of Technology?

- CA Climate Legislation
  - AB32 Reduce GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020
  - Executive Order S-03-05 (2005) 80% below 1990 levels by 2050
- AB 32 Scoping Plan: CA's road map
  - 2008 Plan
  - Draft Update Released Feb 10, 2014

## Behavioral Research Projects at ARB

#### Past Projects

- Residential buildings
  - Behavioral responses to energy usage information
  - Using Information to Improve the Effectiveness of Nonlinear Pricing
  - Low Energy Consumption Rates in California Households

#### Current Projects

- Travel behavior
  - How land use and transportation strategies, like light rail transit and complete streets, influence travel behavior

#### Upcoming Projects

- Travel behavior
  - Factors that Influence ZEV Sales in California
  - Analyzing consumer behavior of vehicle purchases
  - Usage and charging behaviors of plug-in electric vehicles

### Research Partners

- California Energy Commission
- California Public Utilities Commission
- Strategic Growth Council
- Office of Planning and Research
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Department of Energy

## **Outreach for ARB's Research**

- Final reports
   <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/research.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/research.htm</a>
- Archived video and slides
   <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/seminars/seminars.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/seminars/seminars.htm</a>
- Listserve
   http://www.arb.ca.gov/listserv/listserv grp.php?listtype=R0
- Contactspittigl@arb.ca.gov

# **Today's Seminar**

- Why Building Operators Matter to Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reductions
  - Principal Investigator
     Alan K. Meier, University of California, Davis
  - Project Manager & Principal Researcher
    Mithra Moezzi, Ghoulem Research